



## PRODUCTION AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT SOCIETY

AN INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY TO EXTEND AND INTEGRATE KNOWLEDGE PERTAINING TO PRODUCTION AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

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### **Excellence in Industry Engagement Award**

As a leading professional society in the field of production and operations management, POMS has instituted *the Excellence in Industry Engagement Award to recognize faculty excellence in engaging with industry for experiential education, research, and alumni outreach.*

The purpose of this award is to recognize faculty excellence in engagement with industry to motivate research, enhance students' learning, and collaborate with industry-government initiatives to support students' success, and create value for universities and other stakeholders. Specific definitions, award criteria, submission guidelines and related information are provided below.

All POMS members in good standing are eligible to apply for this award. At most two awards will be given every year. An award plaque and a check of \$1,000 will be presented to each winner at the Awards Luncheon of the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual POMS Conference in Minneapolis, MN, USA. For information about the conference go to the POMS website: <http://www.poms.org/>

#### **AWARD CRITERIA**

A successful applicant will **demonstrate meaningful engagement with industry**. Meaningful engagement is **measured primarily** by evidence of **impact on industry, government, or larger society**. Example measures of meaningful impact through industry engagement include: (1) evidence that engagement activity has led to a positive change in an organization or organizations (e.g., positive change in operation, decision making, etc.), (2) evidence that engagement activity has opened up, or changed/influenced a direction of, a stream of research, (3) evidence that engagement activity has contributed to the success of students and/or other researchers, (4) evidence that engagement activity has led to a strategic partnership between the university and industry-government.

Meaningful engagement is **measured secondarily by duration and breadth**. For example, has engagement by the individual been sustained over multiple years, extended to a series of projects and/or multiple organizations?

#### **PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSIONS**

Nominations including self-nominations must be sent by **December 15, 2023**. The award recognizes an individual's excellence in engagement with industry; nominations for a team of researchers will not be considered. All applicants should prepare a 5-page (maximum) statement of their engagement activities with industry-government. The 5-page limit does not apply to additional exhibits which can be used to provide supporting evidence relating to criteria for the award (e.g., evidence/description of engagement processes, letters of support or other documentation of impact, etc.). The entire packet of materials must be submitted as one pdf file electronically to the committee chair Professor Scott Webster ([scott.webster@asu.edu](mailto:scott.webster@asu.edu)) and a copy should also be sent to Professor Sushil Gupta, Executive Director of POMS ([poms@fiu.edu](mailto:poms@fiu.edu)). POMS urges department chairs or peers to encourage worthy candidates to apply.